

Provisional Vital Statistics for August 2019

Live Births decreased in August as 6,725 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,634 born one year earlier. Cumulative births for the 8-month and 12-month periods ending with August also decreased. For January-August, births decreased 2.1 percent from 49,086 to 48,042.

Deaths decreased in August as 4,951 Missourians died compared with 5,086 in August 2018. Deaths also decreased for the 8- and 12-month periods ending with August. For January-August, there were 41,567 Missouri resident deaths or 2.5 percent less than the 42,618 for the similar time period in 2018.

The **Natural Increase** in August for Missourians was 1,683 (6,634 births minus 4,951 deaths). For the 12 months ending with August, the natural increase declined from 10,509 to 10,178.

Marriages decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January-August, marriages decreased 8.3 percent from 24,201 to 22,194.

Dissolutions of Marriage also decreased for all three time periods. For January-August, dissolutions decreased from 12,553 to 11,728. For the 12 months ending with August, the marriage to divorce ratio increased slightly from 2.11 to 2.12.

Infant Deaths decreased slightly in August as 33 Missouri infants died compared with 55 in August of 2018. For the 12 months ending with August, the infant death rate decreased from 6.2 to 6.0 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>August</u>				<u>Jan. — August Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with August</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Live Births	6,725	6,634	12.9	12.7	49,806	48,042	12.0	11.8	73,646	72,237	12.0	12.0	11.8
Deaths	5,086	4,951	9.8	9.5	42,618	41,567	10.4	10.2	63,137	62,059	10.1	10.3	10.1
Natural increase	1,639	1,683	3.1	3.2	6,468	6,475	1.6	1.6	10,509	10,178	2.0	1.7	1.7
Marriages	3,292	2,961	6.3	5.7	24,201	22,194	5.9	5.4	39,613	37,685	6.7	6.5	6.1
Dissolutions	1,650	1,434	3.2	2.7	12,553	11,728	3.1	2.9	18,788	17,805	3.2	3.1	2.9
Infant deaths	55	33	8.2	5.0	313	284	6.4	5.9	457	430	6.2	6.2	6.0
Population base (in thousands)	....	....	6,126	6,140	....	....	6,126	6,140	....	....	6,102	6,121	6,135

* Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1,000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. Beginning with provisional July 2006 data numbers and rates are based on month of event rather than month of report. This will result in a delay in reporting, but will more accurately reflect current trends.

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